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(10-21 July 1995)

# PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE TENTH SESSION

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva,
starting at 10 a.m. on Monday, 10 July 1995

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Election of officers
3. Review of Chapter 12 and of the multimodal tank tables
4. Listing and packing of explosive substances or articles
5. Listing and classification of reactive materials and related test methods and criteria
6. Review of Chapter 15 (Dangerous goods in limited quantities)
7. Class 2 matters (including ISO work on standards for gas cylinders and quality assurance)
8. Routine listing and classification
9. Packagings and Intermediate Bulk Containers (IBCs)
10. Infectious substances

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Item 11 c) : Working Group on the harmonization of classification criteria for flammable substances (in Plenary room)

The two working groups on the harmonization of classification criteria will be convened in accordance with the decisions taken by the Committee at its eighteenth session (see ST/SG/AC.10/21, paras. 144 to 154) i.e. in the context of global harmonization of classification of criteria, cooperation with the International Labour Organization (ILO) and the International Programme on Chemical Safety (IPCS) and follow-up to the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED). Therefore these groups should be composed of experts familiar with transport legislation and other relevant legislations (work safety, environment, consumer protection) and their reports will be submitted not only to the Committee or Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, but also to other bodies concerned with global harmonization.

Basic proposals are expected from the experts of the United Kingdom (reactive substances) and of Germany (flammable substances).

**Note 5:** An annotated agenda will be circulated at a later stage on the basis of proposals received by 21 April 1995.

**Note 6:** Although the session has been scheduled for 10 to 21 July 1995, it is expected that there will be no need for a meeting day on 21 July 1995. This will have to be confirmed in the annotated agenda, depending on the number of proposals received prior to the deadline.

**Note 7** The following documents were carried forward from the eighteenth session of the Committee to the tenth session of the Sub-Committee:

ST/SG/AC.10/R.441, -/R.450, -/R.460, -/R.464, /R.471, -/R.473, -/R.485, ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.488, -/C.3/R.526, -/C.3/R.529, -/C.3/R.552, -/C.3/R.570, -/C.3/R.590, -/C.3/R.591

**For reasons of economy, and as certain of these documents are background documents, delegates are kindly asked to bring their copies to the meeting and not to request additional copies.**

11. Implementation of Agenda 21

    a) General

    b) Harmonized classification criteria for reactive substances

    c) Harmonized classification criteria for flammable substances

    d) Harmonized classification criteria for toxicity

    e) Harmonized classification criteria for corrosivity

    f) Harmonized classification criteria for danger to the environment

    g) Hazardous wastes

    h) Other matters

12. Reformatting of the Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

13. Relations with other organizations

14. Other business

15. Adoption of the report

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**Note 1:** All proposals should be received by the secretariat at the latest by 21 april 1995.

**Note 2:** Submissions should be concise and as short as possible; they should include a justification. The number of proposals in a single document should be limited; they should all relate to the same subject under one agenda item.

**Note 3:** A provisional timetable is reproduced in the annex hereto

**Note 4:** The following working groups should meet during the session :

Item 3 : Working Group on Multimodal Tanks (Outside the plenary room)

Item 12 : Working Group on Reformatting the Recommendations (in Plenary room)

Item 11 b) : Working Group on the harmonization of classification criteria for reactive substances (Outside Plenary room)

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# PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE TENTH SESSION

Addendum 1

List of documents and annotations

## 1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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|---|---|
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/19 and -/Add.1 | Agenda and list of documents |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/19/Add.2 | Revised provisional timetable |

Background documents (Secretariat):

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| ST/SG/AC.10/21, and -/Add.1 to -/Add.4 | Report of the Committee on its eighteenth session |

## 2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. L. Grainger (United Kingdom) and Mr. J. Monteith (Canada) have already been elected respectively Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Committee and of the Sub-Committee for the biennium 1995-1996, during the eighteenth session of the Committee (ST/SG/AC.10/21, para. 197)

## 3. REVIEW OF CHAPTER 12 AND OF THE MULTIMODAL TANK TABLES

Background documents:

ST/SG/AC.10/21, paras 80 to 83
ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/18/Add.4
ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.570 (IMO)
ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.591 (United States)
ST/SG/AC.10/R.450 (France)

New documents:

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| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.595 and -/Add.1 (United States) | Report of the Working Group on Multimodal Portable Tanks |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.618 (United States) | Assigning portable tank requirements to substances of classes 3 to 9 |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.621 (United States) | Minimum thickness for portable tanks |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.624 (Germany) | Degree of filling for tanks |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.629 (IMO) | Report of the IMO Working Group on Portable Tanks |

## 4. LISTING AND PACKING OF EXPLOSIVE SUBSTANCES AND ARTICLES

| | |
|---|---|
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.598 (Norway) | Charges, shaped, commercial |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.601 (Germany, Norway, Sweden, United Kingdom) | Oversized packagings and transport, packaging and dispensing units |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.612 (France) | Blasting explosives in IBCs |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.630 (Germany) | Fuse, non detonating |

## 5. LISTING AND CLASSIFICATION OF REACTIVE MATERIALS AND RELATED TEST METHODS AND CRITERIA

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|---|---|
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.604 (Germany) | N.O.S. entries for desensitized explosives |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.605 (Germany) | Nitroglycerin mixtures with cellulose<br>Pentaerythrite tetranitrate mixture with lactose |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.606 (Germany) | Liquid or pasty nitroglycerin formulations |

<u>Test series 6(c)</u>

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|---|---|
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.529 (Secretariat) | Work of the OECD-IGUS |
| ST/SG/AC.10/R.441 (United Kingdom) | |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.602 (Canada) | Research Program |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.613 (France) | |

Other proposals

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|---|---|
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.603 (Japan) | Pressure vessel test |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.609 (HMAC) | Criteria for classification of aqueous solutions of inorganic substances of class 5.1 |
| ST/SG/AC.10/R.460 (Germany) | Precedence of self-reactive properties over oxidizing properties |
| ST/SG/AC.10/R.485 (CEFIC) | Classification of DI-tert-BUTYL PEROXYDE (carriage in bulk) |

## 6. REVIEW OF CHAPTER 15 (DANGEROUS GOODS IN LIMITED QUANTITIES)

No proposal has been submitted

## 7. CLASS 2 MATTERS (INCLUDING ISO WORK ON STANDARDS FOR GAS CYLINDERS AND QUALITY ASSURANCE

| | |
|---|---|
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.590 (United States) | Aerosols with subsidiary risks |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.622 (Argentina) | Aerosols |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.631 (ISO) | Compatibility of cylinder and valve materials with gas contents |

## 8. ROUTINE LISTING AND CLASSIFICATION

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|---|---|
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.488 (HMAC) | Classification based on human experience |
| ST/SG/AC.10/R.471 (Secretariat) | Classification of pesticides |

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|---|---|
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.597 (United Kingdom) | Elevated temperature substances |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.600 (CEPE) | Viscous flammable liquids |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.607 (Belgium) | UN 2344 - BROMOPROPANES |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.608 (Belgium) | UN 1234 - METHYLAL |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.615 (China) | Deletion of UN 2371 |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.627 (IMO) | Report of the Editorial and Technical Group on classification issues |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.633 (Australia) | Classification of Xanthates |

## 9. PACKAGINGS AND INTERMEDIATE BULK CONTAINERS (IBCs)

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| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.552 (Germany) | Definitions and criteria for the tightness of packages and IBCs |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.611 (Belgium) | Drop height correction for combination packagings |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.616 (Brazil) | Editorial review of Chapter 16 |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.623 (Argentina) | Certification of packagings |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.627 (IMO) | Report of the Editorial and Technical Group on packaging issues |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.632 (ICDR) | Plastics drums reconditioning and recycling |

## 10. INFECTIOUS SUBSTANCES

No document has been submitted under this agenda item

## 11. IMPLEMENTATION OF AGENDA 21

(a) General

ST/SG/AC.10/21, paras 118 to 154

(b) Harmonized classification criteria for reactive substances

ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.610 (United Kingdom)

(c) Harmonized classification criteria for flammable substances

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|---|---|
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.634 (Germany) | Questionnaire |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.620 (United States) | Harmonized criteria for flammable liquids |

(d) Harmonized classification criteria for toxicity

The position of the Committee is reflected in paragraphs 124 to 126 of ST/SG/AC.10/21
No new document has been submitted

(e) Harmonized classification criteria for corrosivity

No document has been submitted

(f) Harmonized classification criteria for danger to the environment

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|---|---|
| ST/SG/AC.10/R.473 (Germany) | |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.635 (United Kingdom) | Report of the Working Group on criteria for danger to the environment |

(g) Hazardous wastes

The Sub-Committee will be informed of the work of the UNEP Technical Working Group to prepare the draft technical guidelines for the environmentally sound management of hazardous wastes and their disposal subject to the Basel Convention (Document UNEP/CHW/WG.4/7/8)

(h) Other matters

No document has been submitted

## 12. REFORMATING OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

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|---|---|
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.596 (HMAC) | Principles for reformatting |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.599 (Netherlands) | Systematic list of substances |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.625 (Secretariat) | Report of the Working Group on reformatting the Recommendations |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.614 (China) | Systematic numbering of UN entries |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.619 (United States) | List of substances in the reformatted Recommendations |

## 13. RELATIONS WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

No document has been submitted

## 14. OTHER BUSINESS

Documents on the periodicity of amendments to the Recommendations have been submitted by the Experts from Germany and from Argentina. A document on the working methods of the Committee and of the Sub-Committee has also been submitted by the Observer from Austria. These documents are reproduced for information only as they concern matters to be discussed by the Committee.

ST/SG/AC.10/R.501 (Germany)
ST/SG/AC.10/R.502 (Argentina)
ST/SG/AC.10/R.503 (Austria)

## 15. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

In accordance with established practice, the Sub-Committee will adopt the report on its tenth session on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat.

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